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## INFORMATION REPORT

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- 25X1 1. [redacted] Sawmill No. 5-7. The quay serving this  
25X1 sawmill is situated in Nikolskiy Channel (N 64-33, E 40-15), immediately  
25X1 to the northwest of the point where the Dvina River and the Tsiglominka  
25X1 River come together. [redacted] the channel leading to the  
25X1 quay is only deep enough to allow ships drawing up to 18 feet to approach it.  
25X1 However, [redacted]  
25X1 [redacted] depths vary [redacted] from 20 feet to 24 feet.
- 25X1 2. The quay is long enough to accommodate two ships between 200 and 300 feet long.  
Electric lighting, supplied through overhead cables, has been installed on  
the quayside. There are no cranes or warehouses on the quay, but between  
the quay and the sawmill, distributed over a rather large area, there  
are sheds full of planed timber. There are also quantities of rough  
lumber and box boards stacked in the lumber yard.
- 25X1 3. [redacted] roads being constructed in the sawmill area. They were  
built of three layers of heavy beams four inches thick; these beams  
were placed in "header and stretcher" fashion, and they were fixed  
together by wooden pegs.
4. There is a small jetty south of the lumber quay; a ferry service operates  
from this jetty to Arkhangelsk (N 64-34, E 40-32).
- 25X1 5. [redacted] Sawmill No. 3. The quay serving this  
25X1 sawmill is situated on the east bank of the Dvina River; it is upstream  
25X1 from the city of Arkhangelsk, at the point 121 on the German Town Plan.  
25X1 The quay is long enough for two ships to berth alongside, and a large  
25X1 shed has been built on it. [redacted]  
25X1 [redacted] depth of 24 feet between [redacted] ship  
25X1 and the face of the quay. [redacted]  
25X1 [redacted] Considerable quantities of lumber and a few box boards were  
25X1 stacked in the lumber yard. The sawmill was reported to be operating.

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6. A number of cargo vessels were observed in the shipyard at Solombala (N 64-36, E 40-33). These vessels averaged about 3,000 to 5,000 tons dead weight apiece. Some of them were drydocked, while others appeared to be laid up. There was no work going on aboard any of them; at least, [REDACTED] no sign of any work being done on these ships.

7. Two large icebreakers were in port [REDACTED] These ships were regular icebreakers, not tug-icebreakers. They assisted [REDACTED] ship to leave port. [REDACTED] the pilot station on the site of the Dvina lightship had been closed [REDACTED]

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